

U.S. EPA PROPOSES PLAN FOR GROUNDWATER CLEANUP AT THE AVTEX FIBERS SUPERFUND SITE IN FRONT ROYAL, VIRGINIA

The U.S. Environmental Protection Agency (EPA) has released its Proposed Remedial Action Plan (PRAP) for addressing contamination at the AVTEX FIBERS SUPERFUND site. The Proposed Plan identifies five potential cleanup remedies for groundwater contamination (Operable Unit 7).

EPA's preferred cleanup is Alternative C in the PRAP:

Based on consideration of the CERCLA requirements and analysis of alternatives using the nine criteria, EPA Region III has identified Alternative C - Basin Capping, Ground Water Extraction and Leachate Removal as the preferred remedial alternative for OU7 of the Avtex Fibers Superfund Site. Alternative C is protective, complies with ARARs, and satisfies all of the Remedial Objectives at a lower cost than Alternatives D and E.

Public Meeting – September 22, 2009 7:00 p.m. until 9:00 p.m.

RANDOLPH MACON ACADEMY Media Center 200 Academy Road Front Royal, Va

30-day Public Comment Period:

August 27, 2009 through September 28, 2009. Send comments to Kate Lose, Remedial Project Manager, EPA Region 3, 1650 Arch Street (3HS23), Philadelphia, PA 19103; or send comments by email to: lose.kate@epa.gov.

Comments must be received or postmarked by midnight on September 28, 2009.

Every comment will be reviewed and considered at the end of the comment period. A summary and response to all comments will be included in the final plan, the 'Record of Decision.'

To find the site documents, Go to www.epa.gov/arweb select 'VA' for State, and 'AVTEX Fibers' for Site Name. Click on 'Search' and then 'Search Results.' The Proposed Remedial Action Plan for Operable Unit 7 is listed near the end.